Montana State Hospital Library

TLC Building, Montana State Hospital Warm Springs, MT 59756

Phone: (406) 693-7133, Fax: (406) 693-7127

Email: teferguson@mt.gov Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 4 p.m.

URL: http://msl.mt.gov/lisd/library-msh.htm

The Montana State Hospital library holds approximately 6,000 books, kits, and audiovisual materials. The collection has a strong psychiatric/mental health emphasis. The library circulates resources to the public.

The library has the dual role of serving both patients and staff at Montana State Hospital, but also serves other state agencies. It acts as both a public and a professional library.

The facility provides full interlibrary loan services, Internet access, InfoTrac access, and literature searching. The library is also a member of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine and offers DOCLINE and Loansome Doc services.

Montana Historical Society Research Center

225 N. Roberts Street / P.O. Box 201201 Helena, MT 59620-1201

Phone: (406) 444-2681, Fax: (406) 444-5297

Email: mhslibrary@mt.gov Hours: Tues-Fri, 9 a.m. — 5 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. — 1 p.m.

URL: http://montanahistoricalsociety.org

The MHS Research Center serves the general public, state agency employees, academic researchers, students, and genealogists.

The MHS Research Center is a special collections facility, which collects published and unpublished materials that reflect and document the history and prehistory of Montana and the region.

The collection consists of state documents, books, archival records and oral histories, manuscript collections, legislative records,

historic photographs, and maps.

The MHS Research Center also holds 95 percent of the newspapers published in Montana, both historic and current.

The library collection does not circulate to the public.

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Library

1424 Ninth Avenue / P.O. Box 201601 Helena, MT 59620-1601

Phone: (406) 444-6611, Fax: (406) 444-0533

Email: sborer@mt.gov

Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. by request

URL: http://dnrc.mt.gov

The library's collection consists of engineering and water resources located in the Water Resources Division, and a geology collection, which is housed in the Water Management Bureau. It is a circulating library to central and regional office staff, and does not circulate materials to the general public. However, the public may visit the library and use its collection in the facility.

The Water Library consists of reference material relating to water policy, legislation, and regulation; water resources management and use; and river basin management.

Office of Public Instruction Resource Center

1300 Eleventh Avenue / P.O. Box 202501 Helena, MT 59620-2501

Phone: (406) 444-2082, Fax: (406) 444-3924

Email: rwilliard@mt.gov

Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 12 p.m. & 1 — 5 p.m.

URL: http://opi.mt.gov

The Resource Center's mission is to meet the work-related information needs of the Office of Public Instruction. The scope of the collection encompasses K-12 education, education policy, and education finance. It does not include curriculum materials or textbooks.

The primary clients are OPI staff; secondary

clients are Montana educators, parents, and the general public.

The Resource Center does not loan materials directly to the public, but will lend materials to other libraries through interlibrary loan. The OPI posts all of its own publications to the OPI Web site.

Department of Transportation Research Library

2701 Prospect Avenue / P.O. 201001 Helena, MT 59620-1001

Phone: (406) 444-6338 or (406) 444-7693

Fax: (406) 444-7204 Email: jnydegger@mt.gov

Hours: M-Th, 6:30 a.m. — 5:30 p.m. and F, 6

a.m. — 3 p.m.

URL: http://mdt.mt.gov/research

The Department of Transportation Library maintains a collection of approximately 15,000 titles on various topics including transportation, engineering, personnel development, and environment.

Patrons include state agencies, other states, legislators, contractors, consultants, and the public. The library circulates resources to the public.



Montana State Agency Library Resources

Libraries in Montana state government offer a wealth of resources.

Professional research librarians and staff provide service, support, and assistance in accessing information for all Montana citizens investigating complex issues.

Library records are confidential following: Montana Code, Title 22, Libraries, Arts, and Antiquities, Chapter 1, Libraries, Part 11, Library Records Confidentiality Act, Montana Code Annotated, § 22-1-1101 – 22-1-1111.

However, if maintaining confidentiality is important, it is a good idea to emphasize this when making a research request.

This publication is available in alternative formats upon request. Direct requests to the Montana State Library. 1,000 copies of this document were produced at a cost of \$___.

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Montana State Library

1515 East Sixth Avenue / P.O. Box 201800 Helena, MT 59620-1800

Phone: (406) 444-3115, Fax: (406) 444-0266

Email: mslreference@mt.gov Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. URL: http://msl.mt.gov

The Montana State Library serves the work-related, informational needs of State employees in partnership with the other more specialized agency libraries. Collection strengths include electronic journals and references related to natural resources; environment and conservation; government; health and social services; information science and technology; librarianship and library development; and personnel management.

The library maintains a permanent comprehensive collection of state publications and an inventory of federal publications selected for their pertinence to Montana State government.

The library circulates resources to the public. Through its Library Development Department, the State Library, also offers consulting services and professional development resources to Montana State agencies and other Montana libraries.

The State Library's Talking Book Library provides direct library service to Montana citizens with visual and other disabilities.

The Library's Natural Resource Information System (NRIS) provides GIS (geographic information system) mapping, technical assistance and access to geospatial data, and research information concerning Montana's climate, water, plant, and wildlife resources.

State Law Library

215 N Sanders / P.O. Box 203004 Helena, MT 59620-3004

Phone: (406) 444-3660, Fax: (406) 444-3603

Email: mtlawlibrary@mt.gov Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. URL: http://courts.mt.gov/library

The State Law Library is Montana's only public law library. The library provides access to dozens of databases for legal research. The State Law

Library also has seven public Internet stations.

The library's 180,000 volume collection includes: Montana's Territorial and state laws, regulations, and appellate court opinions; opinions, codes; session laws; Attorney General's opinions; state bar publications from all 50 states; as well as a complete collection of federal law. Thousands of compiled legislative histories are also available.

The library collection circulates materials to the public. Document delivery is provided through a range of sources. The library also provides interlibrary loan services, which greatly extend the depth of the collection.

The library's Web site provides links to legal forms and suggestions for research on dozens of topics. Montana Supreme Court opinions are posted on same day as release. Appellate briefs filed before the court are scanned and are also available, as well as court rules and jury instructions.

Trained legal reference librarians will assist with legal research, but cannot provide legal advice or interpret the law.

Legislative Reference Center

State Capitol Building, Room 10, P.O. 201706, Helena, MT 59620-1706

Phone: (406) 444-3064, Fax: (406) 444-2588

Fax: (406) 444-2588 Email: leglib@mt.gov Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. URL: http://leg.mt.gov

The Legislative Reference Center provides reference and research assistance and interlibrary loan services to legislators and legislative staff. The collection focuses on issues of current concern to the Montana Legislature, including economic development, education finance, health care policy, gambling, privatization, property tax, sales tax, state employee compensation, state finances, and workers' compensation.

The Reference Center also offers access to Montana legislative materials, such as house and senate journals, session laws, and committee minutes. Materials published by the Montana Legislative Services Division, along with interim committee work papers, are cataloged and archived. Publications from the National Conference of State Legislatures and from legislative agencies in other states form a major part of the collection.

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Fisheries Division Library 1420 East Sixth Avenue / P.O. Box 200701 Helena, MT 59620-0701

Phone: (406) 444-3175, Fax: (406) 444-4952

Email: fwpfsh@mt.gov Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 5 p.m.

URL: http://fwp.mt.gov/insidefwp/fwplibrary

The Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Library serves FWP employees and consists of reports by FWP biologists on Montana's 22 major drainages and on specific subjects, such as fish species. FWP publications are available to the public at the Montana State Library.

The library also houses management plans, instream flow publications, archives, publications by other agencies on the 22 drainages, journals and serials, Dingell-Johnson reports, and a thesis collection for use by departmental personnel. The library also provides access to historical fish reports.

Census and Economic Information Center

Montana Department of Commerce 301 South Park Avenue / P.O. Box 200505 Helena, MT 59620-0505

Phone: (406) 841-2739, Fax: (406) 841-2741

Email: ceic@mt.gov

Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. URL: http://ceic.mt.gov

The Census and Economic Information Center provides state employees access to and education on using census, economic, geographic, and business data for Montana from a variety of federal and state statistical resources.

The Center provides training and assistance with the development of Geographic Information System (GIS) applications utilizing census data and

access to GIS technical support.

Patrons have access to Montana data/thematic maps, and may have a custom data map created for a specific project.

The collection includes historical, demographic and economic data, current electronic (DVD/CD), and print documents.

The library does not circulate resources to the public.

Public Service Commission Research and Law Library

1701 Prospect Avenue / P.O. Box 202601 Helena, MT 59620-2601

Phone: (406) 444-6199, Fax: (406) 444-6170

Email: (406) 444-7618 Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. URL: http://psc.mt.gov

The Public Service Commission Research and Law Library's collection is designated to be useful in regulation of water, electricity, natural gas, and transportation. The collection includes legal works, national public utility reference works, and transportation publications.

The library collection does not circulate to the public. The library loans to staff, other agencies, and legislators.

Department of Environmental Quality Planning Division Library

1520 East Sixth Avenue / P.O. Box 200901 Helena, MT 59620-0901

Phone: (406) 444-6697, Fax: (406) 444-6836

Email: parroues@mt.gov Hours: M-F, 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. URL: http://deq.mt.gov

The DEQ Planning Division Library serves DEQ staff and associated personnel. The collection assists staff in addressing Montana water quality and standards issues and also with drinking water and wastewater. The collection does not circulate to the public.